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LARRY NEIL MACKEY ET AL. : Confirmation No.
Serial No. 10/803,751 : Group Art Unit
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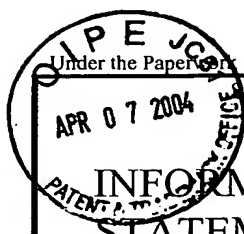
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